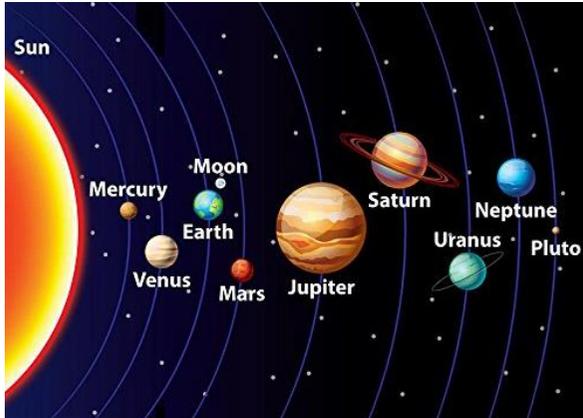


## Spring 2 Knowledge Organiser for Year 2 – Space

### What is space?

Space is everything that exists outside the planet's atmosphere. Earth is just one of the eight planets in the solar system, the others are Mercury, Venus, Mars, Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus and Neptune. There is also the dwarf planet called Pluto!



### Space Race

The Space Race was a competition between America and the Soviet Union to be the first country to go into space. During the 1960s, the two countries were involved in the Cold War. It was like a war, but they never had a battle! They wanted to be the first to have the technology to go into space, like a competition!

The end goal was to land on the moon. Although the Soviet Union sent the first human into space, America won because they were the first to have a human land on the moon.

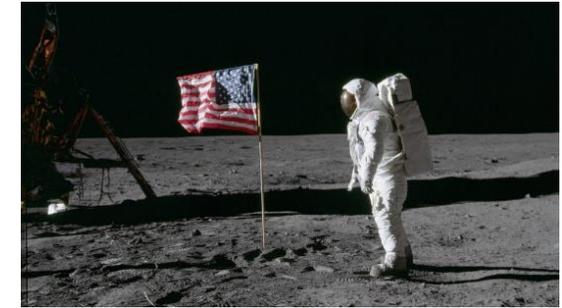


### First Man on the Moon

Before humans went to space, Albert the space monkey went! Albert went in 1949 in a specifically adapted American V2 rocket!



In 1961, a Russian astronaut called Yuri Gagarin became the first man in space. However, he did not land on the moon, and in 1969 the Americans sent Neil Armstrong to be the first man who landed on the moon!



### Home Learning Project

Our next History topic is all about Space! We would love for you to do some research on the space race and any British contributions to Space (E.g. Tim Peake and the British Rocket programme).

We understand that this is a difficult time and so we can be flexible when it comes to the project. Please make this manageable for you, but also be mindful of creating something that can be shared through remote learning, e.g. learning that can be photographed and submitted. Please complete this by Friday 26th February.